



# Crop Progress and Condition

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## Wrapping up Small Grain Harvest in Idaho

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.8. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 3% very poor, 8% poor, 28% fair, 49% good, and 12% excellent. Temperatures for the week ranged from 6 degree below normal to 2 degrees above normal. There was very little precipitation throughout the state; precipitation levels at all weather stations being below normal. Major agricultural activities for the week included caring for livestock, irrigating, cutting alfalfa, harvesting small grains, potatoes, sugarbeets, and legumes. The warm dry weather helped farmers finish up cereal grain harvest. Reporters in the southwest region indicated that the drastic difference between day time and night time temperature has impacted livestock conditions. While reports from southeast region indicated that cattle are still on summer range and in good condition. In Jefferson County, heavy frosts throughout the nights have negatively impacted potatoes and silage crops.

## Ideal Weather Conditions for Harvest in Washington

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 12% very poor, 17% poor, 42% fair, 24% good, and 5% excellent. Western Washington reports weather conditions were ideal for harvesting. Fall and winter vegetables and fruit continue to be harvested; tomatoes and peppers were still producing despite cool nights. Throughout western Washington hay, silage and green chop continued to be harvested. In eastern Washington hop and onion harvest continued and crops continued to be in good condition. There were reports of high wind gusts in Kittitas County but no crop losses were reported. Some livestock have been placed on supplemental feed because of limited pasture. Pear, peach and nectarine harvest also continued with good crop quality being reported. Cucumbers, tomatoes, hot peppers, squash and acorn were harvested. Farmers' markets had a plentiful selection of fruits and vegetables. The harvest of wine grapes was well underway throughout the week. Winter wheat seeding is well underway with planting nearing completion for dryland producers.

## In Oregon Winter Wheat Planting Has Begun

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.5. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 20% very poor, 27% poor, 34% fair, and 19% good. In western Oregon some corn silage has been harvested and stored, while standing corn silage continued to dry. Ground prep work for fall seeding was nearing completion. Last of red clover for seed has been harvested. Apples were ripening at a slower pace than normal. Everbearing strawberries and blueberries were at farmer's markets. Orchard maintenance was mostly complete with early nut fall under way. Tomatoes were growing well. Powdery mold was hitting zucchinis and cucumbers. Nurseries were setting new plants on raised beds and irrigating new and yearly shrubs. Some cattle were running low on feed and water on the rangeland. Grass hay and alfalfa hay was being baled. In eastern Oregon wheat planting has started to progress. Seed corn and potato harvest continued. Many producers were reporting that they have started feeding hay to their livestock.

## Soil Moisture and Irrigation Water Supply — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/14/14

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	1	33	66	-
Oregon.....	23	44	30	3
Washington.....	19	36	44	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	6	33	61	-
Oregon.....	21	43	35	1
Washington.....	19	42	38	1

- Represents zero.

## Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Potatoes					
Idaho.....	1	9	20	55	15
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	2	19	78	1
Washington.....	-	1	33	54	12
Dry edible beans					
Idaho.....	-	-	39	56	5

- Represents zero.

# Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: September 8 - September 14, 2014

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
NORTH														
Coeur d' Alene.....	34	83	57	-6	50	-35	0.00	-0.28	0	0.44	-0.12	79	2	
Fenn.....	35	89	60	-4	71	-19	0.00	-0.49	0	0.00	-0.93	0	0	
Lewiston.....	41	91	65	+0	110	+1	0.00	-0.19	0	0.00	-0.33	0	0	
Porthill.....	30	82	53	-5	32	-23	0.06	-0.26	1	0.75	+0.15	125	4	
Winchester.....	28	81	54	-2	36	-9	0.00	-0.35	0	0.00	-0.64	0	0	
SOUTHWEST														
Boise.....	39	89	61	-6	77	-35	0.14	-0.04	5	0.25	-0.07	78	9	
Emmett.....	39	93	63	-3	92	-15	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0	
Glenns Ferry.....	41	90	64	+1	101	+4	0.00	-0.10	0	0.01	-0.16	6	1	
Grand View.....	35	94	62	-2	85	-12	0.01	-0.13	1	0.02	-0.25	7	2	
Nampa.....	39	86	62	-2	86	-7	0.02	-0.12	2	0.02	-0.22	8	2	
Parma.....	39	93	63	+1	95	+2	0.02	-0.12	1	0.02	-0.26	7	1	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Fairfield.....	23	85	53	-5	33	-23	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0	
Malta.....	27	86	57	-3	55	-15	0.02	-0.19	1	0.04	-0.38	10	2	
Picabo.....	30	85	58	+2	55	+4	0.01	-0.13	1	0.01	-0.27	4	1	
Rupert.....	30	88	60	-2	68	-9	0.01	-0.13	1	0.01	-0.27	4	1	
Twin Falls.....	35	85	60	+1	74	+2	0.01	-0.13	1	0.01	-0.27	4	1	
EAST														
Aberdeen.....	28	83	57	-1	55	-2	0.00	-0.15	0	0.00	-0.29	0	0	
Ashton.....	21	82	53	-4	37	-10	0.01	-0.27	1	0.02	-0.52	4	2	
Fort Hall.....	23	87	57	-1	57	-3	0.01	-0.20	1	0.01	-0.35	3	1	
Idaho Falls.....	24	87	57	-3	55	-10	0.00	-0.14	0	0.10	-0.18	36	1	
Lava Hot Springs.....	29	83	57	-3	52	-16	0.11	-0.15	1	0.11	-0.43	20	1	
Montevieu.....	23	84	53	-5	34	-21	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.29	0	0	
Preston.....	32	84	60	-1	71	-1	0.06	-0.22	1	0.06	-0.50	11	1	
Rexburg.....	18	83	53	-5	35	-20	0.01	-0.20	1	0.08	-0.31	21	2	

## Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	95	77	99	90
Winter wheat planted .....	19	5	15	13
Winter wheat harvested .....	99	93	100	99
Barley harvested .....	94	87	99	89
Oats harvested .....	96	85	88	86
Potatoes harvested .....	15	6	10	10
Sugarbeets harvested .....	10	3	-	1
Field corn harvested for grain .....	3	-	-	-
Field corn harvested for silage .....	36	35	16	17
Dry edible beans harvested .....	50	32	30	43
Onions harvested .....	22	6	48	48
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	81	74	78	72
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	3	-	20	22

-Represents zero.

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: September 8 - September 14, 2014

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
WEST														
Bellingham .....	39	79	61	+2	76	+9	0.00	-0.35	0	0.93	+0.27	141	2	
Everett .....	48	79	62	+2	83	+14	0.00	-0.46	0	0.53	-0.35	60	2	
Hoquiam .....	46	83	63	+4	95	+22	0.00	-0.60	0	0.24	-0.87	22	2	
Kelso .....	43	91	65	+3	105	+18	0.00	-0.52	0	0.00	-0.98	0	0	
Olympia .....	36	85	60	+1	71	+4	0.00	-0.43	0	0.00	-0.81	0	0	
Sea-Tac .....	50	86	65	+4	109	+22	0.00	-0.35	0	0.12	-0.54	18	1	
Shelton .....	35	87	61	+0	81	+3	0.00	-0.53	0	0.02	-0.96	2	1	
Tacoma.....	37	85	61	-1	76	-4	0.00	-0.35	0	0.03	-0.67	4	1	
Vancouver .....	46	90	66	+2	114	+10	0.00	-0.36	0	0.00	-0.69	0	0	
CENTRAL														
Ellensburg.....	33	84	60	-1	73	-4	0.00	-0.12	0	0.00	-0.19	0	0	
Omak .....	31	87	61	-4	76	-19	0.00	-0.14	0	0.40	+0.12	143	1	
Stampede Pass .....	31	73	51	-2	15	-20	0.05	-0.90	1	0.69	-1.09	39	3	
Wenatchee.....	43	86	65	-2	104	-7	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.24	0	0	
Yakima AP.....	37	87	61	-1	78	-5	0.00	-0.09	0	0.00	-0.23	0	0	
NORTHEAST														
Colville .....	30	86	59	+0	68	-2	0.00	-0.28	0	0.57	+0.05	110	2	
Deer Park .....	28	81	56	-2	49	-12	0.00	-0.28	0	0.33	-0.20	62	2	
Kettle Falls.....	30	83	57	-5	53	-29	0.00	-0.29	0	0.40	-0.17	70	3	
Spokane .....	39	79	59	-2	68	-11	0.00	-0.19	0	0.22	-0.11	67	1	
EAST CENTRAL														
Ephrata.....	43	88	64	-3	100	-16	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.14	0	0	
Moses Lake .....	37	88	62	-5	89	-27	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.14	0	0	
Quincy .....	36	86	59	-6	71	-32	0.00	-0.13	0	0.00	-0.20	0	0	
Ritzville .....	41	88	60	-3	72	-16	0.00	-0.14	0	0.04	-0.24	14	1	
SOUTHEAST														
Hanford.....	42	91	66	-4	112	-24	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.14	0	0	
Lake Bryan Rice.....	42	91	65	+4	109	+23	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0	
Pasco.....	37	90	61	-7	80	-43	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.15	0	0	
Pullman.....	35	87	61	+0	54	-20	0.00	-0.13	0	0.06	-0.28	18	2	
Silcott Island .....	43	91	67	+2	118	+9	0.00	-0.19	0	0.00	-0.33	0	0	
Walla Walla.....	41	88	65	-3	110	-16	0.00	-0.16	0	0.00	-0.33	0	0	
Whitman Mission.....	31	90	59	-4	67	-22	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0	

## Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	43	19	40	42
Potatoes harvested .....	59	57	53	46
Field corn doughed .....	85	84	83	75
Field corn dented .....	66	51	59	43
Field corn mature .....	2	1	15	11
Field corn harvested for grain .....	1	-	4	2
Field corn harvested for silage .....	27	4	19	16
Dry edible beans harvested .....	80	62	58	48
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	85	74	89	81
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	21	19	22	23

-Represents zero.

# Weekly Weather Statistics — Oregon: September 8 - September 14, 2014

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
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					Total	DFN							
COASTAL AREAS													
Astoria .....	47	86	64	+6	101	+36	0.01	-0.53	1	0.04	-0.96	4	2
Bandon .....	40	79	59	+0	61	+4	0.00	-0.35	0	0.01	-0.65	2	1
Florence .....	41	84	60	+0	75	+5	0.00	-0.47	0	0.00	-0.87	0	0
North Bend .....	46	86	61	+2	79	+15	0.00	-0.35	0	0.00	-0.65	0	0
Tillamook .....	43	86	63	+5	91	+34	0.00	-0.79	0	0.00	-1.43	0	0
WILLAMETTE VALLEY													
Aurora .....	46	91	68	+6	127	+33	0.00	-0.38	0	0.00	-0.71	0	0
Corvallis .....	42	89	67	+4	121	+23	0.00	-0.33	0	0.00	-0.61	0	0
Detroit Lake .....	45	96	67	+5	122	+33	0.01	-0.72	1	0.01	-1.32	1	1
Eugene .....	43	92	67	+5	118	+27	0.00	-0.35	0	0.00	-0.67	0	0
Hillsboro .....	42	89	65	+2	106	+7	0.00	-0.35	0	0.00	-0.66	0	0
McMinnville .....	44	90	68	+5	124	+29	0.00	-0.28	0	0.00	-0.51	0	0
Portland .....	51	89	68	+4	128	+24	0.00	-0.36	0	0.00	-0.69	0	0
Salem .....	47	89	67	+4	118	+23	0.00	-0.30	0	0.00	-0.57	0	0
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS													
Grants Pass .....	48	100	71	+8	145	+46	0.00	-0.21	0	0.00	-0.36	0	0
Medford .....	51	97	73	+7	166	+44	0.00	-0.16	0	0.00	-0.30	0	0
Roseburg .....	50	97	72	+6	154	+38	0.00	-0.22	0	0.00	-0.43	0	0
NORTH CENTRAL													
Condon .....	37	87	59	+0	63	-4	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Echo .....	32	91	62	-4	83	-24	0.01	-0.12	1	0.01	-0.19	5	1
Heppner .....	35	86	60	-4	72	-21	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Hermiston .....	31	89	61	-4	82	-25	0.00	-0.13	0	0.00	-0.20	0	0
Madras .....	36	85	59	-2	63	-12	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.17	0	0
Moro .....	36	89	60	-2	69	-9	0.00	-0.13	0	0.00	-0.20	0	0
Parkdale .....	36	87	59	+1	67	-2	0.00	-0.27	0	0.00	-0.48	0	0
Pendleton .....	37	89	62	-4	84	-22	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Prairie City .....	23	86	55	+1	35	-3	0.03	-0.23	2	0.04	-0.48	8	3
The Dalles .....	40	88	66	-3	114	-13	0.00	-0.13	0	0.00	-0.20	0	0
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Agency Lake .....	27	85	57	+1	49	-1	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Bend .....	35	82	58	+2	58	+6	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Burns .....	26	86	57	+1	49	-1	0.00	-0.11	0	0.00	-0.18	0	0
Christmas Valley .....	25	87	56	+1	44	-4	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Klamath Falls .....	36	87	62	+4	83	+21	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Lakeview .....	32	86	59	-2	64	-7	0.00	-0.15	0	0.00	-0.29	0	0
Lorella .....	31	88	58	+2	60	+7	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
Redmond .....	26	87	56	-5	43	-31	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.21	0	0
Worden .....	27	87	58	-1	56	-6	0.00	-0.14	0	0.00	-0.28	0	0
NORTHEAST													
Baker City .....	22	84	53	-6	31	-34	0.00	-0.20	0	0.00	-0.41	0	0
Joseph .....	28	82	54	-4	37	-20	0.00	-0.28	0	0.00	-0.56	0	0
La Grande .....	30	88	58	-4	56	-23	0.00	-0.19	0	0.00	-0.40	0	0
Imbler .....	30	87	56	-3	47	-19	0.01	-0.20	1	0.02	-0.40	5	2
SOUTHEAST													
Ontario .....	39	91	65	+2	108	+7	0.00	-0.12	0	0.00	-0.19	0	0
Rome .....	36	89	63	+2	91	+12	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.18	0	0

Summary based on NWS data.

Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1, 2013.

DFN = Departure from normal.

NA = Data not available.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.

Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.

Normals period 1971-2000 used in DFN calculations.

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## Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	11	-	7	12
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	90	79	54	74
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	8	2	(NA)	(NA)

-Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

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